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**REQUEST
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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/817,950
Filing Date	March 27, 2001
First Named Inventor	Guyre
Art Unit	1644
Examiner Name	Belyavskyi, Michail A.
Attorney Docket Number	DC-0153

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

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- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other 4 attachments and Petition for Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

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Examination and the Requisite Fee.